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In re Application of:

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

	Group Art Unit: 3732			
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Serial No.: 10/023,911	Attorney Docket: 2103.014100/RFE (SBI-100)			
Filed: December 18, 2001				
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD TO STABILIZE AND REPAIR AN INTERVERTEBRAL DISC	CUSTOMER NO. 45488			
MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450				
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114				
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.				
1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114				
a. Previously submitted				
i. Consider the amendment(s)/	reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed			
on				

(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered).

		ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previous	ly
		filed on	
		iii.  Other	
	b. Enclosed		
		i. Preliminary Amendment iii. Information Disclosure Statement	
		ii. Affidavit(s)/Declarations iv. Other	
2.	Mi	scellaneous	
	a.   Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 3		
		C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension sha	all
		not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)	
	b. 🗌	Other	
3.	Fee	The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.1	14
	when the RCE is filed.		
	a.   The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any		
	overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0786 if check missing or insufficient.		
		i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)	
		ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	
		iii. Other	
	b. 🔀	Check in the amount of \$790.00 enclosed	

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Respectfully submitted,

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